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Title: METHOD FOR INDUCING OR
PROMOTING AN ANTHOCYANIN
COLORATION IN PLANTS AND/OR
FRUIT WHICH BASICALLY
PRODUCE ANTHOCYANIN

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.



RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The relevance of document A3 is described in the present specification.

Document A2 relates to increasing anthocyanin content of fruit and plants – by exposure to blue and red light.

Document A10 relates to research involving the effect of ozone and ultraviolet rays (UV-B portion of lights) on the metabolism from forest and agricultural plants.

English translations of the foreign-language documents are not readily available. However, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609). English language abstracts for document A2 and A3 are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise to charge improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	A1	5,040,329	08/20/91	Michaloski	47	65	

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
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	A2	2 542 567	09/21/84	France			Abstract	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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